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**REMARKS**

By this Preliminary Amendment, an abstract is added. The abstract is based on the abstract in the published PCT application (WO 03/105936). In addition, claims 1-19 are amended to delete multiple dependencies and to delete reference numerals. Also, the phrase "characterized in that" is changed to "wherein". Accordingly, claims 1-19 are pending in the application, with claim 1 being an independent claim. The translation of the specification has been amended to correct obvious errors. No new matter has been added.

The application is now ready for examination on the merits. If there are questions regarding this Preliminary Amendment, please contact Applicant's undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,  
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